

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

---

In re Patent Application of:  
Joachim Kiefer et al.

Application No.: 10/522,839

Confirmation No.: 4211

Filed: June 6, 2005

Art Unit: 1796

For: PROTON-CONDUCTING POLYMER  
MEMBRANE COMPRISING POLYMERS  
CONTAINING PHOSPHONIC ACID GROUPS  
AND ITS USE IN FUEL CELLS

---

Examiner: H. S. Hu

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.